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Affects:

☐ All Debtors

☐ USA Securities, LLC

USA CAPITAL DIVERSIFIED TRUST DEED FUND,

USA CAPITAL FIRST TRUST DEED FUND, LLC,²

■ USA Commercial Mortgage Company ☐ USA Capital Realty Advisors, LLC

☐ USA Capital First Trust Deed Fund, LLC

☐ USA Capital Diversified Trust Deed Fund, LLC

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

Case No. BK-S-06-10725-LBR Case No. BK-S-06-10726-LBR¹ USA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, Case No. BK-S-06-10727-LBR Case No. BK-S-06-10728-LBR² USA CAPITAL REALTY ADVISORS, LLC,1 Case No. BK-S-06-10729-LBR³

CHAPTER 11

Jointly Administered Under Case No. BK-S-06-10725 LBR

OBJECTION OF THE USACM LIQUIDATING TRUST TO PROOF OF **CLAIM NO. 10725-01527 FILED BY** CHRISTINE MILLER; AND CERTIFICATE **OF SERVICE**

Hearing Date: December 18, 2009 Hearing Time: 1:30 p.m.

The USACM Liquidating Trust (the "USACM Trust") objects to Proof of Claim No. 10725-01527 filed by Christine Miller in an unliquidated amount because it appears to be a duplicate of Proof of Claim No. 10725-02120 filed by Christine Miller on behalf of the Christine E. Miller Revocable Trust Dated 3/5/04 ("Miller"). This Objection is supported by the Court's record, and explained in the following Memorandum.

Debtors.

¹ This bankruptcy case was closed on September 23, 2008.

² This bankruptcy case was closed on October 12, 2007.

³ This bankruptcy case was closed on December 26, 2007.

I. JURISDICTION

- 1. The Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1334 and 157 and venue under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. Under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(B), this matter is a core proceeding.
 - 2. The objection is based upon 11 U.S.C. § 502 and Bankruptcy Rule 3007.

II. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

- 1. On April 13, 2006 ("Petition Date"), USA Commercial Mortgage Company ("USACM") filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. Post-petition management of the Debtors was under the direction of Thomas J. Allison of Mesirow Financial Interim Management, LLC ("Mesirow"), who served as the Chief Restructuring Officer.
- 2. On January 8, 2007, this Court entered its Order Confirming the "Debtors' Third Amended Joint Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization" as Modified Herein [Docket No. 2376].
- 3. Under the Plan, the USACM Trust is the successor to USACM with respect to standing to seek allowance and disallowance of Claims. The USACM Trust exists as of the Effective Date of the Plan, which was March 12, 2007. Geoffrey L. Berman is the Trustee.

III. APPLICABLE AUTHORITY

1. Under the Bankruptcy Code, any Claim for which a proof of claim has been filed will be allowed unless a party in interest objects. If a party in interest objects to the proof of claim, the Court, after notice and hearing, shall determine the amount of the Claim and shall allow the Claim except to the extent that the Claim is "unenforceable

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against the debtor . . . under any . . . applicable law for a reason other than because such claim is contingent or unmatured." 11 U.S.C. § 502(b).

- The creditor ultimately bears the burden of persuasion as to the validity and amount of the Claim. See Ashford v. Consolidated Pioneer Mortg. (In re Consolidated *Pioneer Mortg.*), 178 B.R. 222, 226 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1995), aff'd, 91 F.3d 151 (9th Cir.
- The USACM Trust is entitled to object to proofs of claim under 11 U.S.C. § 502(a). This objection is timely under the Court's orders.

OBJECTIONS TO CLAIMS

- Proof of Claim No. 10725-02120 filed by Christine Miller on behalf of the Christine E. Miller Revocable Trust Dated 3/5/04 ("Miller") is a \$50,000 claim that appears to be based upon a direct lender investment in the Placer Vineyards II Loan. The USACM Trust objects to Claim 10725-01527 because it was filed by Christine Miller and appears to be upon the same investment in the Placer II Loan.
- The USACM Trust reserves the right to modify, supplement and/or amend

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